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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT: Replenishment of Reserve

After the Director's discussion of the reserve with the Bureau of the Budget, the review of the subject leads me to believe that the following are the best ways of bringing our reserve back up to the proper level:

a. Regular appropriation along with action on our 1957 operating budget.

b. Supplemental appropriation as early as we can get before the Committees in the coming session. In this case the request would be for replenishment of the reserve alone with no reference to our operating budget.

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d. Action could be requested by the Committees to authorize crediting to the reserve the amounts we are turning in as unobligated and unexpended from lapsed appropriations. Without specific legislation this would be a most irregular procedure, and I am sure it would bother the Comptroller General's Office. He would, however, probably go along if the Committees wanted to do it this way. It is so contrary to general practice that I believe we would find it difficult to persuade the Committees that this method had merit. Also, in future years it seems that we may not have sufficient unexpended balance to make replenishment of the reserve in the amounts we require this year.

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